THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI) (a) and (b) A well planned strategy for marketing, promotion and development of tourism in the country, in partnership with the State Governments and the Private Sector has led to a substantial growth in tourist arrivals to India as detailed below:

| Year | Foreign Tourist Arrival | Percentage increase |
|---|---|---|
| 2004 | 3.46 million | +26.8% |
| 2005 | 3.92 million | +13.2% |
| 2006 (till November) | 3.88 million | +12.9% |

A series of promotional activities are being undertaken by the India tourism offices overseas to further increase tourists arrivals to the country. These include advertising, participation in fairs and Exhibitions, organising seminars, workshops and road shows, publication of brochures, offering joint advertising and brochure support and inviting media personalities, tour operators and opinion makers to visit the country under the Hospitality Programme of the Ministry.

The Ministry is also focusing on several niche areas of growth such as Meetings, Incentives and Exhibitions (MICE), Medical. Cruise, Golf and Spirituality.

**Development of tourism in Uttar Pradesh**

3001. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the revenue generated from tourism sector during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) the amount allocated to the State Governments for the development of tourism during the above period, State-wise and year-wise; and

(c) the details of the major projects taken up for development of tourism during this period, State-wise; particularly in Uttar Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) The foreign exchange generated from tourism sector during the last three years and the current year is as under:

(Rs. in crore)

| Year | Foreign Exchange Earned |
|---|---|
| 2003 | 16429 |
| 2004 | 21603 |
| 2005 | 25172 |
| 2006 (upto November 06) | 25934 |

(b) and (c) the amount sanctioned to the State UT/Governments including Uttar Pradesh during the last three years and the current year for development of Circuits, Destinations, Large Revenue Generating Projects, Rural Tourism Projects, Fairs and Festivals, Events and IT projects, State-wise and year-wise is given in the enclosed Statement.

***Statement***

*State-wise tourism projects sanctioned during the Tenth Five Year Plan*

*(Rs. in Lakhs)*

| Sl. No. | State/UT | 2003-04 | | 2004-05 | | 2005-06 | | 2006-07 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | No. of Project Sancd. | Amount Sancd. | No. of Project Sancd. | Amount Sancd. | No. of Project Sancd. | Amount Sancd | No Of Project Sancd. | Amount Sancd |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | 6 | 946.50 | 16 | 2827.19 | 7 | 2,615.8/. | 1 | 468 63 |
| 2. | Assam | 3 | 313.46 | 8 | 986.03 | 10 | 2,140.00 | 1 | 454 28 |
| 3. | Arunachal Pradesh | 6 | 1044.60 | 9 | 1325.50 | 10 | 2,240.16 | 8 | 893.40 |
| 4 | Bihar | 6 | 1019.42 | 7 | 1901.43 | 3 | 1,212.23 | 0 | 0 |
| 5. | Chhattisgarh | 6 | 1005.00 | 6 | 1117 94 | | 71775.59 | 10 | 1676.58 |
| 6. | Goa | 2 | 36.76 | 3 | 110.00 | 1 | 10.00 | 0 | 0 |
| 7. | Gujarat | 8 | 920 51 | 2 | 138.93 | 5 | 2,011.58 | 5 | 347 73 |
| 8. | Haryana | 16 | 1215.38 | 6 | 693.55 | 7 | 639.71 | 3 | 25.00 |
| 9. | Himachal Pradesh | 4 | 18232 | 12 | 2680.00 | 6 | 1,645.00 | 4 | 285.00 |
| 10, | J&K | 5 | 895.00 | 5 | 819.25 | 22 | 6,656.01 | 15 | 3292.73 |
| Ll. | Jharkhand | 2 | 110900 | 2 | 945.91 | 5 | 1,227.27 | 0 | 0 |
| 12. | Karnataka | 14 | 932.66 | 12 | 2461.76 | 8 | 1,706.52 | 2 | 72186 |
| 13 | Kerala | 6 | 608.50 | 10 | 2283.63 | 13 | 4,858.88 | 8 | 1440.17 |
| 1 4 | Madhya Pradesh | 10 | 621.90 | 11 | 1595.19 | 12 | 3,047.39 | 6 | 2803.52 |

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 15 | Maharashtra | 10 | 931 83 | 10 | 1620.62 | 9 | 2.075.04 | 10 | 232689 |
| 16. | Manipur | 1 | 82.44 | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 49.80 | 5 | 788.29 |
| 17. | Meghalaya | 2 | 40.22 | 2 | 963 30 | 1 | 5.00 | 2 | 15.00 |
| 18 | Mizoram | 5 | 567.70 | 6 | 108635 | 10 | 2.273.41 | 1 | 5.00 |
| 19 | Nagaland | 4 | 711 00 | 7 | 2250.69 | 9 | 2.52897 | 5 | 468.94 |
| 20. | Onssa | 5 | 419.55 | 8 | 1320.74 | 10 | 2,309.61 | 9 | 527.12 |
| 21. | Punjab | 2 | 96 00 | 7 | 724.68 | 5 | 1.437 67 | 6 | 864.45 |
| 22 | Rajasthan | 14 | 1644 81 | 13 | 2516.61 | 7 | 2.591.87 | 7 | 638.39 |
| 23 | Sikkim | 8 | 1151 09 | 8 | 660 81 | 14 | 2.844 56 | 2 | 457.55 |
| 24 | Tamil N-adu | 14 | 1339.82 | *1* | 130892 | 19 | 4,264.62 | 10 | 1413.63 |
| 25. | Tripura | 6 | 45017 | 1 | 20 00 | 3 | 716 26 | 2 | 278 15 |
| 26. | Uttaranchal | 4 | 230 44 | 7 | 2199 98 | 13 | 2,738.00 | 6 | 528.99 |
| 27 | Uttar Pradesh | 7 | 1115.80 | 9 | 1044 93 | 18 | 3,905.23 | 6 | 2883.43 |
| 28 | " West Bengal | 10 | 71744 | 10 | 51304 | 5 | 989.35 | 4 | 952.36 |
| 29 | Andaman & Nicobar | 0 | 0 | 0 | 000 | 1 | 6.25 | 0 | 0 |
| 30 | Chandigarh | 2 | 10 00 | 3 | 467 00 | 1 | 1370 | 0 | 0 |
| 31. | Dadar & Nagar Haveli | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 00 | 2 | 29.79 | 0 | 0 |
| 32. | Delhi | 17 | 3316.28 | 8 | 628 85 | 2 | 20 00 | 3 | 20.00 |
| 33. | Daman & Diu | 1 | 265.07 | 0 | 0.00 | 4 | 26228 | 0 | 0 |
| 34 | Lakshadweep | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 35 | Pondicherry | 1 | 245 17 | 2 | 451.00 | 2 | 46939 | 0 | 0 |
| | TOTAL: | 207 | 24.185.84 | 217 | 37.663 83 | 243 | 561,31696 | 141 | 24,577.09 |

Note— This includes the projects relating to Circuits, Destinations, Large Revenue Generating, Projects, Rural Tourism (Software and Hardware) Projects, IT. Event. Fair & Festivals

Projects.

**Funds for tourism circuits to Andhra Pradesh**

3002. SHRI NANDIYELLAIAH: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) The details of the funds provided to the State Government of Andhra Pradesh by the Central Government for development of Amravati Tourist Circuit, Nagarjunasagar Buddhist Circuit Hyderabad-Nalagonda-Khammam Circuit and the Lower Krishna Vallery Biddhist Circuit;

(b) the details of the works and activities going on/proposed to be undertaken in the abovesaid tourism circuits;